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Via Facsimile No. (410) 531-4783

RE: Lester E. Kirkland, Jr. vs. Norfolk Southern Railway Company State Court of Bibb County Re: W. R. Grace & Company's Indemnity Agreements with Norfolk Southern Railway Company of December 15, 1980 and Supplemental Agreement of September 17, 1990

Dear Scott:

Further to our telephone conversation earlier today, this will confirm that the railroad has entered into a settlement agreement with Plaintiff's attorneys to settle this judgment for \$1.5 million.

As we discussed, I would appreciate your advice concerning any liability insurance available to Grace to respond to our indemnity claim.

Thanking you for your advice in this regard, I am

Sincerely,

Hall, Bloch, Garland & Meyer

Bv:

Benjamin M. Garland

BMG/s